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(S) EconOff spoke on 10/1/04 with MFA SubDirector for the Near East, Alberto Moreno, re: the new Iraq Executive Order. Moreno said that the Order was "good". However, the GOS does not plan at the moment to change and/or introduce legislation along the lines of the U.S. Iraq Executive Order. Morenos said the GOS would welcome information from the U.S. on specific cases of Spain-related Iraq insurgency financing. He noted, however, that even with the "best will in the world", there was no "mechanism" in Spain to block financing for "insurgents", unless one could also show that said "insurgents" also supported and/or were terrorists. He mentioned the example of Moqtada al Sadr, clearly an insurgent, but somebody the Iraqi government might want to include in a political settlement. Morenos said his comments were the GOS position on the Iraq Executive Order.
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